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1. On 2 March 1951, seven MiG-15s were parked in a single row in the northeastern section of Alt Loennowitz airfield. No markings were observed on the planes. At 9 a.m. a truck carried fourteen men to the jet aircraft. The soldiers removed the snow from the planes and took off the red sheet metal covers from the air intake and air exhaust apertures, but the engines were not started. \*
2. The field was covered with snow about 10 cm deep. At 9:15 a.m. a soldier laid a landing T on the runway. At 10 a.m. a closed truck with a rod antenna about 3.5 meters high was parked near the runway, at about one-third of the total runway length from the eastern end of the runway. About 25 men were standing around the radio truck. One hangar was opened and two single-engine, low-wing monoplanes taxied out of the hangar. The engines of the planes were warmed up. Then the aircraft taxied to the take-off point and took off at 10:50 a.m. for local flights. The aircraft had trapezoidal wings, radial engines, small propeller hub, landing gear which retracted inward, tail wheels, two-seater cockpits with seats in tandem, antenna rod on cockpit with antenna leading to the oval-shaped rudder assembly. \*\* The snow was not removed from the runway.
3. Two tank trucks, two closed trucks, one or two open trucks, and one closed trailer painted blue were parked close to a wooden watchtower, 4 meters high, which was in the vicinity of the jet planes. A row of spotlights each 35 cm in diameter were still along the southern edge of the hard surface runway. The spur track seemed to be used, although no railroad cars were seen.
4. The radio installation, consisting of a radio mast braced on all sides and one large and two or three small wooden shacks, was still east of the field in the extension of the runway. Three men were seen near the radio installation. An overhead line led from the radio installation to a vacated building on the southern edge of the field near Alt Loennowitz. About 6 to 8 men, probably a guard detail, were quartered in this building. \*\*\*

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\* Comment.

regiments are stationed at the Alt Loennowitz airfield. Most of the aircraft were probably parked in the hangars on the day of observation.

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The aircraft described are probably Yak-11 fighter trainers.

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\*\*\* Comment. The radio installation [REDACTED] a landing beacon. A previous report stated that the telephone line [REDACTED] beacon westward to an Adcock DF, located south of the western end of [REDACTED]. It is believed that the line leads from the [REDACTED] to the house in Alt Loennewitz, as described in the present [REDACTED] to the Adcock DF at the western end of the runway.

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